ORDINANCE NO. 77-3

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE WANDERING, GRAZING, OR RUNNING AT LARGE OF ANIMALS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE VILLAGE OF JAMAICA BEACH AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR FAILING TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF JAMAICA BEACH, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful for any persons, firm, corporation or other legal business entity who owns, keeps, or has in his possession or control any animal, to allow such animal to wander, graze, or roam at large upon the streets, sidewalks or public grounds of the Village, or to allow any such animal to wander, graze, or run at large upon or about the residences, lots, or premises of any person other than the owner of such animal. Any animal upon the streets, sidewalks or public grounds of the Village, or the residences, lots or premises of any person other than the owner of the animal shall be considered to be at large and in violation of this section, unless:

a) Said animal is under the control of the owner or a person by means of a chain, rope, cord or leash of not more than six feet length and of sufficient strength to control the actions of the animal to which said chain, rope and/or leash is attached; or

b) That should such animal be a dog, that such dog has securely fastened about his mouth a leather or metallic muzzle as will effectively prevent such dog from killing or injuring any other domestic animals and/or fowls;

c) Such animal is participating in obedience training or competition, dog shows, field trials or performing acts such as herding under the control and supervision of an owner or handler.

SECTION 2. (Any dog, whether registered and tagged or not,
whether registered and tagged or not, known or suspected to be a killer of other domestic animals or fowls, is hereby declared to be a public nuisance and such dog may be detained or impounded until the owner is notified, and until all damage done by said dog shall have been determined and paid to the proper parties.

SECTION 3. The Director of Health of the Galveston County Health District of his authorized representative is hereby empowered to and shall impound any animal found in violation of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. Any person, firm, corporation or other legal business entity upon violation of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined in any sum not exceeding TWO HUNDRED AND NO/100 DOLLARS ($200.00).

SECTION 5. That the hereinbefore recited Ordinance be enacted as 77-3 of the Ordinances of the Village of Jamaica Beach, Texas.

SECTION 6. That this Ordinance shall be and become effective from and after its adoption and publication as required by law.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ELMO M. JOHNSON
Village Attorney

JACK JORDAN
Mayor
CERTIFICATION

I, SYLVIA BURCH, Secretary of the Village Council of the Village of Jamaica Beach, Texas, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of an ordinance adopted by the Village Council of the Village of Jamaica Beach, Texas, this 21 day of March, 1977, as the same appears in records of this office, and after the enactment of such ordinance, and full text thereof was published by posting the same for at least ten days between the 22 day of March, 1977, and the 1st day of April, 1977, in three public places in the Village of Jamaica Beach, Texas.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I subscribe my name hereto officially under the corporate seal of the Village of Jamaica Beach, Texas, this 12 day of March, 1977.

[Signature]

SECRETARY OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL
OF THE VILLAGE OF JAMAICA BEACH,
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